



## COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

### Community Safety and Well-Being Strategy

THIS ITEM WAS REQUISITIONED TO CITY COUNCIL WITHOUT A COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

#### *Administration Recommendation*

1. That the Community Safety and Well-being Strategy, as outlined in the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991, be approved.
2. That adjustments to the 2022 and 2023 operating budget, as outlined in Attachment 1 of the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991, be approved, with funding from the Edmonton Police Services funds within Financial Strategies.

#### *History*

- At the May 16/17, 2022, Community and Public Services Committee meeting, Councillors T. Cartmell and K. Tang requisitioned the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991 to City Council without a Committee recommendation.
- At the May 16/17, 2022, Community and Public Services Committee meeting, the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager reports OCM00568, OCM00991, OCM00888 and Financial and Corporate Services report FCS00226 were considered together.
- The Committee heard from P. Martinez, E. Jones and D. Rhodes, Edmonton Public Library; J. Gebran, Gebran Enterprises Inc. O/A Kingsway McDonald's, Downtown, and central west Edmonton; L. Hagen, Action on Smoking & Health organization; S. Zaidi, Downtown Recovery Coalition; T. LaRiviere, Accessibility Advisory Committee; K. O'Neill, YWCA Edmonton; S. Haji, Africa Centre; S. Leavitt-Wright, Jewish Federation of Edmonton; P. McBryan, Edmonton Downtown Business Association; R. Houle; H. Leong, Chinatown Transformation Collaborative Society; H. Ali; L. Cunningham-Shpeley, Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues; L. Hugo Francescutti, Bridge Healing; F. Omole, Women's Advocacy Voice of Edmonton; P. Brown; A. Irfan and H. Shu, City of Edmonton Youth Council; S. Sinha, Anti-racism Advisory Committee; and S. Oborowsky, Edmonton Police Foundation - Community Solutions Accelerator.
- At the May 16/17, 2022, Community and Public Services Committee meeting, Councillor M. Janz made the following motion that was not put to vote:

1. That the Community Safety and Well-being Strategy, as outlined in the May 16, 2022 Office of the City Manager report OCM00991 and Attachments 2 and 3, be approved.
2. That the following adjustments to the 2022 and 2023 operating budget, as outlined in Attachment 1 of the May 16, 2022 Office of the City Manager report OCM00991, be approved, with funding from the Edmonton Police Services funds within Financial Strategies:
  - i. That the Office of the City Manager 2022 operating budget be increased by \$1,500,000 on a one-time basis, with funding from the Edmonton Police Services Funds held within Financial Strategies for the purpose of creating microgrants as per the Community Safety and Well-being strategy as outlined in Attachments 1 and 3 of the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991.
  - ii. That the Office of the City Manager 2022 operating budget be increased by \$1,500,000 in 2022 and \$555,000 in 2023 on an on-going basis, with funding from the Edmonton Police Service Funds held within Financial Strategies for the Integrated Call Evaluation and Dispatch Centre purpose as outlined in Attachments 1 and 3 of the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager OCM00991 report.
  - iii. That the Social Development Branch 2022 operating budget be increased by \$811,000 on an on-going basis, with funding from the Edmonton Police Service Funds held within Financial Strategies for the Indigenous Framework Implementation as outlined in Attachments 1 and 3 the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991.
  - iv. That the Infrastructure Planning and Design Branch 2022 operating budget be increased by \$1,000,000 on a one-time basis, with funding from the Edmonton Police Service Funds held within Financial Strategies for the Indigenous-led Shelter as outlined in the report and Attachments 1 and 3 of the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991.
  - v. That the Social Development Branch 2022 operating budget be increased by \$1,000,000 on a an on-going basis, with funding from the Edmonton Police Service Funds held within Financial Strategies for the Extreme Weather Protocol as outlined in the report and Attachments 1 and 3 of the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991.
  - vi. That the Social Development Branch 2022 operating budget be increased by \$25,000 on a one-time basis, with funding from the Edmonton Police Service Funds held within Financial Strategies for the purpose of Drug Poisoning Response as outlined in Attachments 1 and 3 of the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991.
  - vii. That the Community Standards and Neighbourhoods Branch 2022 operating budget be increased by \$415,000 on an on-going basis, with funding from the Edmonton Police Service Funds held within Financial Strategies for the purpose of Community Safety Peace Officers Training and Professional

Standards Centre of Excellence as outlined in Attachments 1 and 3 of the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991.

- viii. That the Social Development Branch 2022 operating budget be increased by \$1,622,000 on an on-going basis, with funding from the Edmonton Police Service Funds held within Financial Strategies for the purpose of Community Wellness as outlined in Attachments 1 and 3 of the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991.
- ix. That the Boards and Authorities/Edmonton Public Library 2022 operating budget be increased by \$200,000 on a one-time basis, with funding from the Edmonton Police Service Funds held within Financial Strategies for the purpose of Sing, Sign, Laugh and Learn Program as outlined in Attachments 1 and 3 of the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991.
- x. That the Social Development Branch 2022 operating budget be increased by \$290,000 on a one-time basis, with funding from the Edmonton Police Service Funds held within Financial Strategies for the purpose of Bridge Healing Centre as outlined in Attachments 1 and 3 of the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991.

- At the May 16/17, 2022, Community and Public Services Committee, Councillor K. Tang made the following amendment that was not put to vote:

Part 2. ix., Edmonton Public Library: Sing, Sign, Laugh and Learn Program:

That Action 9, Edmonton Public Library: Sing, Sign, Laugh and Learn Program, as outlined in Attachment 1 of the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991, be removed and that the funding be used to supplement Action 6, Drug Poisoning Response, for tangible actions other than education and awareness campaigns, working with service providers to address current Council motions on the opioid crisis.

- At the May 16,/17, 2022, Community and Public Services Committee, Councillor J. Wright made the following amendment that was not put to vote:

Part 2. ii., Integrated Call Evaluation and Dispatch Centre:

That Action 2, Integrated Call Evaluation & Dispatch Centre, be removed and the funds be re-allocated as follows:

- That the Social Development Branch 2022 operating budget be increased by \$400,000 on an ongoing basis for the Drug Poisoning response to enable Social Development to hire a full-time employee (FTE) to manage the file, continue the coordination of partners and to fund key activities as outlined in Attachment 3.
- That the Community Standards and Neighbourhood Branch 2022 operating budget hold the remaining funds in abeyance for further engagement with the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues to support local community initiatives for safe, healthy and active communities as they move towards COVID-19 recovery.

*Related motions passed at the May 16/17, 2022, Community and Public Services Committee meeting*

- **Safer for All Strategy - Community Safety, Well Being, Inclusion and Anti-racism**

- That Administration work with:
  1. the Downtown Business Association and Edmonton Police Service, to request the use of up to \$1 million from Provincially provided downtown safety resources to fund social workers and mental health specialists to be partnered with law enforcement in Human-centred Engagement and Liaison Partnership Unit (HELP) teams throughout the downtown core and Chinatown, and to supplement daytime shelter space led by Indigenous Community Organizations; and
  2. the Downtown Recovery Coalition, to allocate up to \$4 million from 2022-2024 from City provided Downtown Vibrancy Initiative recovery funds to fund social workers and mental health specialists to be partnered with law enforcement in the Edmonton Police Service and Administration to enhance The Police and Crisis Response Team (PACT), Human-centred Engagement and Liaison Partnership Unit (HELP) and Community Outreach Transit Team (COTT) resources in the Downtown, Chinatown and the Transit system, to expand the YEG Ambassador Program, and to supplement daytime shelter space led by Indigenous Community Organizations.
- That Administration provide a report detailing federal, provincial and municipal responsibilities in relation to the work of the Community Safety and Well-being strategy including but not limited to: housing, mental health, addictions, corrections; Reconciliation and First Nations, Métis, and Inuit leadership and responsibilities; and policing, diversion, prevention, reduction strategies. This report should also detail the comprehensive strategies that have been developed by the City to address these areas of responsibility.
- That the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00568, be received for information.

- **Community Safety and Well-Being Methodology and Results**

That the May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00888, be received for information.

- **ConnectEdmonton Next Steps - Community Safety and Well-being and Edmonton's Healthy City Goal**

That the May 16, 2022, Financial and Corporate Services report FCS00226, be received for information.

***Attachment***

May 16, 2022, Office of the City Manager report OCM00991